## <u>REMARKS</u>

In the Official Action of April 21, 2006, the Examiner has courteously indicated the allowability of claims 2 and 12. Applicants have now amended the independent claims 1 and 8 to include the recitations formerly in the allowable claims 2 and 12. Accordingly, all claims presently of record are respectfully believed to be allowable over the prior art in accordance with the Examiner's comments. Applicants have also made an amendment to correct a formal error and thereby to provide proper antecedent basis for the coating film layer.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that all remaining rejections have been overcome and that the application is now in allowable form. An early notice of allowance is earnestly solicited and is believed to be fully warranted.

Respectfully submitted,

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